

# Destination Lake Taupo?

*When was the last time you visited the great lake?*

## Whenever it was, it was too long ago!

There is a multitude of kayaking options in the area. Sea kayakers can explore the many bays of the local lakes, paddle around an island Pa, kayak in warm thermal lakes, discover hidden lakes that most locals don't even know exist or even paddle up river to the base of Huka Falls (or over it if you are a gnarly white water dude).

White Water paddlers have the best White Water rivers and play waves in the North Island, locally or within an hour's drive of Taupo... Fuljames play wave, Huka Falls, Tongariro, Rangitaiki, Mohaka, Kaituna and many more smaller creeks.

Or if you are a family of sit-on-top kayakers just looking for a great break in Taupo then pop in the shop and we can tell you the choicest spots to suit your needs.

Not sure where to go? What the weather patterns are like on the Great Lake? What rivers you can safely navigate? What colours are in this season? Then give us a call... Canoe & Kayak Taupo has many years experience in the area and know the lakes and rivers like the back of our hands.

If the logistics are a bit much or you don't currently have kayaks, no problem. Canoe & Kayak Taupo offers a range of guided trips including an awesome half day paddle to the famous Maori Rock Carvings... We head out from Acacia Bay and into the main part of the lake where you really get an idea of its size... The lake has a surface area about of 625 square kilometres. That is the same size as Singapore, which has a population of about 5 million!!!!... Blimey what a lucky bunch we are!



## Join Us For A Kayaking Adventure - Specialty Tours



### Taupo Maori Carvings

Half day guided trip to the rock carvings, Lake Taupo... only accessible by boat. A leisurely paddle of about 3 km to the rock carvings. The largest is over 10 m high and from below in a kayak it is imposing.

\$85 per person (bookings essential).  
Phone 0800 KAYAKN for details.

### Waikato River Discovery

2 hour guided kayak trip. Experience the magnificent upper reaches of the mighty Waikato River - Soak in the geothermal hot springs - Take in the stunning environment... a perfect trip for all the family...

Adult \$45, Children \$25  
Special group and family rates.  
Call 0800 KAYAKN for details.

### Customized Tours

Whether it's an afternoon amble, a full day's frolic or a wicked weekend adventure we can take you there. If there's somewhere you'd like to paddle we can provide you with experienced guides, local knowledge, safe up to date equipment and a lot of fun.

Phone Canoe & Kayak  
on 0508 529 2569 for details

### Join the Yakity Yak Club

We'd love to tell you more and get you hooked on the wonderful sport of kayaking and probably the best kayak club in the world! So give your local Canoe & Kayak centre a call or better, come and see us.

Phone Canoe & Kayak  
on 0508 529 2569 to find out more  
or send the form on page 7.





Once in the main part of the lake we nip round into Mine Bay and catch the first glimpse of the huge main carving... there are many smaller ones carved in the rock...I could go on but you really have to come and see for yourselves, to get the scale and sheer beauty of it all.

If our guided lake trip is not your cup of tea, then how about letting the crystal clear waters of the Waikato gently push you downstream from the very source...Lake Taupo. Two hours of easy paddling under the watchful eye of our instructors, past the 46 m cliffs where the mildly insane Bungy jumpers hurl themselves into the drink and down to the hot pools for a dunk. 40 – 42 degrees of flowing water to sooth away any cares. Our oldest customer was 94! We carried her into her kayak and carried her out... she loved every minute of it...our youngest, slept most of it with mum, but as I said, it is relaxing!

We're proud of our town and beautiful surroundings and look forward to showing it off to you... So load up, strap on, and come on down (or up).

See you soon

Steve, Dan and the crew...oh and Hooba (the trusty shop Labrador).



## Kiwi Association of Sea Kayakers N.Z. Inc. (KASK)

**KASK is a network of sea kayakers throughout New Zealand**

KASK publishes a 200 page sea kayaking handbook which is just \$15 to members: the handbook contains all you need to know about sea kayaking: techniques and skills, resources, equipment, places to go etc.



KASK publishes a bi-monthly newsletter containing trip reports, events, book reviews, technique/equipment reviews and a 'bugger' file. KASK holds national sea kayaking forums.

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